## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

JENNIFER LIND HANLON, and on behalf of my children, W. A. H. and D. T. H,

**ORDER** 

Plaintiffs,

12-cv-526-wmc

v.

ROBERT EDWARD TUTTLE, JR. and ROCK COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT, State of Wisconsin,

Defendants.

In response to this court's July 27, 2012 order, plaintiff has submitted amended affidavit of indigency to support her request for leave to proceed *in forma pauperis*. The standard for determining whether plaintiff qualifies for indigent status is the following:

- From plaintiff's annual gross income, the court subtracts \$3700 for each dependent excluding the plaintiff.
- If the balance is less than \$16,000, the plaintiff may proceed without any prepayment of fees and costs.
- If the balance is greater than \$16,000 but less than \$32,000, the plaintiff must prepay half the fees and costs.
- If the balance is greater than \$32,000, the plaintiff must prepay all fees and costs.
- Substantial assets or debts require individual consideration.

In this case, plaintiff's only receives food stamps in the amount of \$526 a month. She has no other income and states that her parents pays for her living expenses. Because plaintiff's income is less than \$16,000, she can proceed without any prepayment of fees or costs.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that plaintiff's complaint is taken under advisement. As soon as the court's calendar permits, plaintiff's complaint will be screened pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915 to determine whether the case must be dismissed either because the complaint is frivolous or malicious, fails to state a claim on which relief may be granted or seeks monetary relief against a defendant who is immune from such relief. Plaintiff will be notified promptly when such a decision has been made. In the meantime, if plaintiff needs to communicate with

the court about this case, she should be sure to write the case number shown above on her communication.

Entered this 13<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2012.

BY THE COURT:

/s/

STEPHEN L. CROCKER Magistrate Judge